subsequently undertaken by civil and military officials and surveyors of the two sides. In addition, the India-China Joint Working Group on the boundary question, which is engaged in tasks relating to clarification and confirmation of the line of actual control and establishment of confidence building measures in the India-China border areas, continues its discussions.

(e) Both sides have expressed the conviction that an early settlement of the boundary question will advance the basic interests of the two countries and sould therefore be pursued as a strategic objective.

Charges for Money Orders

*69. SHRI MOTIUR RAHMAN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the charges for sending Money Orders are exorbitantly high;

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to rationalize these charges; and

(c) whether Government would examine the feasibility of finding out cost-effective ways of sending Money Orders or its substitutes?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN): (a) The tariff for Money Orders is Re. 1/- for every sum of Rs. 20/- or fraction thereof w.e.f. 11.06.1990. The tariff of the Money Orders service has not been revised for the last fifteen years.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) No, Sir.

Commercial launching by ISRO

*70. SHRI R. SHUNMUGASUNDARAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal for commercial launching by ISRO;

(b) by when the said commercial launch is likely to commence; and

(c) whether there would be any tie-up with other countries in such commercial launching?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) Yes, Sir. Antrix Corporation Limited, which is the commercial arm of ISRO, is marketing launch services using India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) and Geo-synchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle (GSLV), on commercial basis.

(b) So far, two satellites from Germany (1999 & 2001) and one each from Republic of Korea (1999) and Belgium (2001) have been launched commercially by PSLV as piggy-back along with Indian satellites. Three more contracts have been entered into for the launch of satellites of foreign agencies using PSLV.

(c) Presently, Antrix Corporation Limited has a cooperative tie-up with the Arianespace of France for commercial marketing of launching satellites.

Discussion on Global Warming in G-8 Summit

*71. SHRI R.S. GAVAI:
SHRI MANOJ BHATTACHARYA:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a conference of industrial nations of the world was held recently in Scotland;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the discussion held with regard to global warming;

(d) what steps would be taken to check this problem;

(e) whether the developed countries agreed to reduce the increasing Green House emissions; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI E. AHAMMED): (a) to (f) The annual G-8 Summit was held in Gleneagles, UK from July 6-8, 2005. Leaders of Brazil, China, India, Mexico and South Africa were invited to join the discussions on the